

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
LAHONTAN REGION**

2501 Lake Tahoe Boulevard, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED TIME SCHEDULE ORDER  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
HOT CREEK FISH HATCHERY, MONO COUNTY**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region (Water Board) is soliciting comments on a proposed Time Schedule Order addressing violations associated with the California Department of Fish and Game (DFG), Hot Creek Fish Hatchery located near Mammoth Lakes in Mono County. Written comments must be received at the address above, attention Robert Dodds or via email to [rdodds@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:rdodds@waterboards.ca.gov), **by 5:00 p.m. on April 27, 2009.**

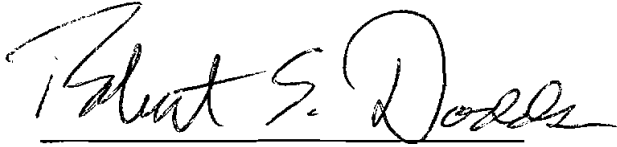
The Time Schedule Order addresses chronic violations of nitrogen (Nitrate + Nitrite as Nitrogen) and flow-related effluent limits set forth in the Hot Creek Fish Hatchery NPDES Permit. The violations started in August 2006 and are ongoing.

The Time Schedule Order will require DFG to comply with interim effluent limitations for Nitrate + Nitrite (as Nitrogen) and flow. The DFG will also be required to submit: (1) Compliance Work Plan which must include a proposed facilities assessment to evaluate the impacts of the hatchery's discharge on the receiving water (Hot Creek), a proposal of corrective actions, and a compliance schedule; (2) Pollution Prevention Plan which must meet the requirements specified in Water code section 13263.3(d)(2); and (3) quarterly assessment reports providing the results of monitoring identified in the Facilities Assessment. Full compliance with final effluent limits must be achieved by April 28, 2014.

The proposed Time Schedule Order and related documents pertaining to this issue may be inspected and copied at the Water Board office at the address above during regular business hours. These documents can also be viewed on the Water Board's web site: [www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan).

Following the 30-day public comment period, Water Board staff will review any comments it receives. If no new information is received, the Water Board will issue the Time Schedule to DFG. If new information is received requiring staff to revise the proposed Time Schedule Order, all necessary revisions will be incorporated and the Time Schedule Order will be issued, provided the revisions do not constitute substantive changes requiring an additional 30-day public comment period.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in the matter. Any questions concerning the details of the Time Schedule Order should be directed to Scott Ferguson at (530) 542-5432 ([sferguson@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:sferguson@waterboards.ca.gov)) or Taylor Zentner at (530) 542-5469 ([tzentner@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:tzentner@waterboards.ca.gov)).

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert S. Dodds". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Robert" and last name "Dodds" being the most prominent parts.

Robert S. Dodds  
Assistant Executive Officer

Dated: March 23, 2009

cc: Hot Creek Hatchery Mailing List

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